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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application mailed January 8, 2002, Applicant submits herewith two sheets of drawings including Figures 1 and 2. However, **a newly executed oath or declaration is not required** and is not being submitted. This application is a divisional of 09/654,799, which is a continuation of 09/081,392. The oath/declaration filed with this application is a copy of the oath/declaration filed in the 09/081,392 grandparent application, and the drawings enclosed herewith were present in the grandparent (and parent) application. Thus, no new oath/declaration is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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A filing date has NOT been accorded to the above-identified application papers for the reason(s) indicated below.

All of the items noted below **and a newly executed oath or declaration covering the items must** be submitted within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice, unless otherwise indicated, or proceedings on the application will be terminated (37 CFR 1.53(e)).

The filing date will be the date of receipt of all items required below, unless otherwise indicated. Any assertions that the item(s) required below were submitted, or are not necessary for a filing date, must be by way of petition directed to the attention of the Office of Petitions accompanied by the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)). If the petition states that the application is entitled to a filing date, a request for a refund of the petition fee may be included in the petition.

- The application was deposited without drawings. 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence) requires a drawing "where necessary for the understanding of the subject matter sought to be patented." *Applicant should reconsider whether the drawings are necessary under 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence).*

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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